

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-160

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL APPROVING
SPECIFICATIONS, AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR
POWER UTILITY CONDUIT AND FITTINGS, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING
THE CITY MANAGER TO AWARD OR REJECT BIDS IN AN AGGREGATE
AMOUNT UP TO \$50,000 AS REQUIRED DURING FISCAL YEAR 2004-05

WHEREAS, the Engineering Division of the Electric Utility Department is preparing work orders for installation of electrical service in several new residential and commercial developments in the City; and

WHEREAS, in the past, staff has obtained Council approval to advertise for bids for estimated annual requirements for utility conduit and fittings and to schedule deliveries according to project timelines and storage space restrictions; and

WHEREAS, due to changing market conditions, a different approach to material acquisition may be in order. First, "fast-track" guidelines require that staff react more quickly to specific materials needs that may not have been foreseen in an annual estimate. Second, volatility in the petroleum markets generally discourage suppliers from committing to long-term contracts without building in a substantial margin. Since PVC pipe and fittings are petroleum-based products, PVC prices tend to follow the price of oil; and

WHEREAS, staff therefore recommends that the City Council authorize advertisement for bids as needed during the fiscal year to meet project requirements and to allow the City Manager to award bids up to a total of \$50,000 during fiscal year 2004-2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lodi City Council does hereby approve the specifications, authorizes advertisement for bids for the power utility conduit and fittings, and further authorizes the City Manager to award or reject bids in an aggregate amount up to \$50,000 as required during fiscal year 2004-05.

Dated: August 18, 2004

I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2004-160 was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Lodi in a regular meeting held August 18, 2004, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Beckman, Hitchcock, Howard, Land, and
Mayor Hansen

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None



SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
City Clerk